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NEWS AND COMMENT.

Judge John C. Ferris favors a primary for the selection of a candidate for Governor.

In a rear-end collision of freight trains near Logansport, Ind., four trainmen were killed.

The Mooney foot-ball team of Franklin defeated Cumberland University at Lebanon Saturday by a score of 12 to 10.

Two other parties—Ben Gibson and "Bud" Bradley—have been arrested near Gallatin charged with shoving the queue.

A movement is on foot at Chattanooga to form an independent political party in Tennessee, composed of union laboring men.

J. R. Bryant, of Dickson, Tenn., was married on the 14th of last May to his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Cecil Bryant, of Paducah, Ky. The marriage was not made known until a few days ago.

Barclay M. Tillman, of Shelbyville, aged 76 years, at one time one of the most prominent Republicans in the State, and uncle of Hon. G. N. Tillman, died this week at Arthur City, Texas.

Cumberland University, in Lebanon, is making another effort to induce the Rev. Ira Landrith to accept the chancellorship of the institution. Dr. Landrith is the editor of the Cumberland Presbyterian.

In the Hamilton county circuit court Thursday J. E. Silver, a member of the county court, was given three years in the penitentiary for alleged illegal collection of fees. This is in addition to a three years' sentence given him Tuesday for a similar offense. Other county officials are being tried.

Miners in the Coal Creek district are now preparing for a protracted strike, as two companies have issued wage manifestos which are not acceptable. The miners want all Coal Creek operators to adopt the scale agreed on in the Jellico and Cincinnati Southern districts, but this is contested by the operators.

A number of West Tennessee papers are talking of Col. Tom Neal, of the Dyersburg Gazette, for Governor. The Jackson Whig says that if the editorial fraternity of Tennessee should be allowed to nominate the next Governor, and Col. Neal should be a candidate, there is no doubt that he would be elected.

A BLOODY AFFAIR

Was the Shooting by White Caps of Negroes Near Caney Springs.

The Darkies Were Returning From a Festival—Several Women were in the Crowd.

Persons living in the 25th district of this county brought to town Monday reports of a sensational shooting between whites and blacks Saturday night. The shooting took place on the public road about one mile north of Caney Springs, in Marshall county.

From reports received, it appears that there has been much ill feeling between the whites and blacks in that vicinity for some time. Numerous thefts and other depredations have been committed by the negroes, which incited the whites against them. Some time since, Lee Powell, a white man, was accused of being implicated with the negroes in the stealing, and he was arrested, tried and bound over to the Marshall county Circuit Court under bond of \$1,000; a search warrant was taken out against him, and some of the stolen property was found in his possession. This ill feeling between the two races has grown and festered until it reached the breaking-out point Saturday night.

Full details of the affair could not be learned, but the facts ascertained are, that a number of negroes had assembled in the public road, but for what purpose it is not known. When the meeting broke up, a part of the crowd started down the road and were met a short distance away by a body of white men. It is reported that the white men were mounted and masked, and that the negroes opened fire upon them first. This was followed by a volley from the white men, and a perfect fusillade of shots was then fired from both sides. When the smoke of battle cleared away, it is said that fifteen negroes were left lying upon the ground, wounded. The white men rode quietly away, and it could not be learned who they were, or whether any of them were hurt. It was thought Sunday that three of the wounded negroes would die.

The affair has created much excitement, and feeling is wrought to a high pitch. This same community was the scene of several white-cap depredations several years ago.

A Later Report.

Further details in regard to the bloody shooting affair in the Caney Springs, Marshall county, neighborhood have been received. The American's Lewisburg correspondent gives the following report:

"On Saturday night there was a negro festival in the Caney Springs vicinity which attracted large numbers of negro residents from their homes. Late at night a party consisting of some thirty-five were going home, walking down the road which connects Lewisburg and Caney Springs. The road passed over a wooden bridge

and at the north end of this the White Caps had concealed themselves. They wore white masks and were armed with double-barreled shotguns and pistols.

"From what can be learned from those who were in the negro party, the negroes were halted as they came up and the name of each was demanded. A negro by the name of Fred Thompson seeing what happened to the first group of negroes, it is said, hurried back and brought up the crowd behind. In this way a number of them came to be on the bridge at the same time. "As the negroes started on by the place, giving their names, several were allowed to proceed. One, however, was held by the white caps. According to one report, a powerful negro named Puckett was among the next to start by the keepers of the bridge. His name was demanded. 'It is none of your d—d business! Who are you?' he defiantly replied.

"He pulled a revolver and fired it at the breast of the masked figure before him.

"The whitecapper staggered back, crying as he fell, 'Boys, he's got me.' "The wounded man's cry of pain was the signal for a volley from the white caps into the party of negroes who were collected about the scene a short distance away. Many fell to the ground wounded, others fled. A panic among them followed the volley. Fifteen of the negroes were more or less seriously wounded, and four fatally. One of the latter was a negro woman. The eyes of one negro man and one negro woman were shot out.

"Several of the wounded were women, and all but two of the wounded were hit in the back. Those of the negroes who could, fled the scene precipitately.

"Immediately after the fusillade the whitecappers took to their buggies, carrying their wounded comrade with them, and dashed off, their horses going at a gallop toward Caney Springs.

"The Sheriff is making every effort to apprehend the whitecappers and the best citizens of that section of the county are giving him all assistance possible. The Caney Springs community includes some of the best and most law-abiding citizens of Marshall county, who are greatly humiliated over the lawless and bloody act. The act is deplored by the whole of the entire county, and if the perpetrators are apprehended they will be severely dealt with. About the only hope held out is the possible location of the wounded man. He is in all probability being carefully concealed and tended by his fellow whitecappers.

"The supposed cause of the form of the whitecap organization is the large number of thefts which have been committed in the vicinity of Caney Springs. By some it is said that some negroes and white men have been organized and stealing systematically in the section."

QUESTION OF BAPTISM

Causes A Baptist Minister to be Expelled from the Church.

Inez, Ky., Oct. 1.—The Rev. Ira Estep, who for fifteen years has been a minister in the Baptist church in this city, has been expelled from the ministry of the church on the charge of violating the rules of the church on the question of baptism.

A short time ago his daughter, Mrs. Fannie Meek, died, and just before she expired she asked her father to baptize her. She was too ill to be immersed, as the church requires, and Mr. Estep performed the services by pouring water on her head. For this act he was brought before the Baptist congregation in this city for trial, but each time he was vindicated. Then the church obtained a change of venue and the case was transferred to Ward's Chapel, three miles north of Inez, where Mr. Estep was found guilty of violating the laws of the church. His license was at once revoked.

Mr. Estep will appeal to the courts for redress.—Courier-Journal.

LOVE'S YOUNG DREAM.

A Youthful Pair Seek Conjugal Bliss, but Fail.

The law of Tennessee, which prohibits the marriage of persons under eighteen years of age, unless they have the consent of their parents, prevented one youthful couple from entering into the joys of conjugal bliss this week, and thereby blighted love's young dream.

A youth from Williamson county, who gave his name as Montgomery, approached Deputy Clerk Hardin Thomas a few days since, and asked for a marriage license. As required by law, Mr. Thomas asked as to the ages of the contracting parties, and was informed that the would-be groom was only 17 years old, while the young lady was 17. As the young man had nothing to show that there was no parental objection, the clerk informed him that he could not issue the license, and the applicant for matrimony departed, sad-hearted and dejected.

ALLEGED FORGER.

Tennessee Man Captured in Oklahoma Removed to Union City.

Union City, Tenn., Oct. 8.—A. L. Hamilton was brought from McAllister, I. T., last night and placed in the county jail on the charge of securing \$250 eighteen months ago from the Commercial Bank of this city on a note to which was forged the names of C. R. Wade, W. H. Wade and W. A. Montgomery, of Kenton, this county.

Though Sheriff Finch, who went after the prisoner, had a requisition, the prisoner consented to come back without the officer ever showing his papers. Hamilton has heretofore borne a good reputation, and is prominently connected. It is thought his relatives will make good his shortage.



U. S.—Well now, my dear, so long we've been together—In sunshine bright as well as stormy weather—How glad your uncle is, and you are, too—He's still to keep and fondly cherish you!

BUSINESS CHANGE.

The E. W. Gamble Wholesale Grocery Company

Bought by James A. Sloan & Co., of Nashville, Who Will Conduct the Business on a More Extensive Scale.

An agreement has been entered into, by means of which one of the oldest and most reliable mercantile firms, and the oldest grocery firm, in Columbia, will go out of existence. Between the first and tenth of next January the E. W. Gamble Grocery Company will go into the hands of Messrs. James A. Sloan & Co., of Nashville, who will take charge of and conduct the business under a different firm name.

The details of the transaction have not yet been made, the parties to the trade only having entered a written agreement as to terms, etc., and the deal will not be finally consummated until an invoice of the stock is taken later on.

It is understood that the new firm will conduct this already prosperous and growing wholesale business on a more extensive scale, and will add about \$50,000 capital.

The Gamble Grocery Company has been one of the most successful businesses in Columbia, made so by the energy and strict business principles of its head and founder, Mr. E. W. Gamble. It has been a part and parcel of the progress and prosperity of Columbia, and there are many who will regret to see it lose its identity. However, the new firm will be given "the glad hand of welcome," and the Herald congratulates them upon going an entrance into the best town in the best county in the State.

This deal will in no way affect Mr. Gamble's relations with the Columbia Ice Company.

GIRL IN MALE ATTIRE.

One of a Trio Arrested, Suspected of Paducah, Job.

Earlington, Ky., Oct. 6.—Frank Taylor, formerly of Louisville, a notorious all-around crook, diamond thief and safe-blower, was picked up there to-day with two companions, one of whom is a beautiful young woman in man's attire, and they are now in custody awaiting identification on suspicion of being the people who committed the Paducah jewelry robbery a few days ago.

The indications are strong that these people did the Paducah job, and the chief of police of that city will be here to-morrow to identify them. Because of the several thousand dollars' worth of jewelry stolen at Paducah it is believed there is considerable reward offered for the thieves, and it is probable that Taylor is wanted elsewhere for other offenses.

Soon after the arrest, one of the party at once impressed the officers as being a woman in disguise, and upon being questioned she admitted the fact, and said she had been arrested several times before but that her identity had never before been discovered. She gives her name as Lizzie Thomas, of Bloomsburg, Pa., and says she left home because she was not treated well by her brothers, and that her father is wealthy.

UNION MEN POSITIVE.

But the Nashville Street Car System is Still in Operation.

Nashville, Tenn., Oct. 4.—The Nashville street railway is in almost complete operation to-day, but the union men, whose services have been dispensed with, say they will yet win. They held a mass-meeting to-night, at which speeches were made by union leaders, urging them to stand firm. Local unions are raising money with which to help the lock-out men, and petitions have been signed by hundreds of persons who claim they will not ride on the cars.

CARRIED TO MARSHALL COURTS.

Case Against Tom Secrest, Charged with Perjury.

Tom Secrest, of Lewisburg, charged with perjury, was arraigned before Esq. R. H. Guest Saturday. He pleaded guilty to the charge, but on examination of the law showed that the case did not properly come under the jurisdiction of the Maury County courts; thereupon the warrant against the defendant was dismissed, and he was turned over to the Marshall county officials. Deputy Sheriff Taylor of Lewisburg, was in waiting with another warrant, and Secrest was promptly re-arrested and will be carried back to Marshall county.

Secrest, it is charged, perjured himself in connection with the case against Tom Jones, charged with illegally selling whisky at Lewisburg. In the Recorder's Court at Lewisburg he testified that he bought whisky from Jones, but when arraigned before Federal Commissioner Nicholson at this place he testified that he did not buy the whisky. He made the statement to Sheriff Hight, who brought him down from Lewisburg, that he told the truth to Commissioner Nicholson.

FOR ASSAULTING A WHITE MAN.

A Negro is Lynched at Huntingdon, Tenn.

His Body was Found Dangling From a Tree This Morning.

Special to the Herald.

Huntingdon, Tenn., Oct. 4.—Walter McClenock, a negro, was taken from the calaboose at this place last night and hanged by a mob.

The negro's offense was an unprovoked and aggravated assault made upon Mr. George B. Dalton, a prominent timber dealer. He struck Dalton with a scantling, inflicting a severe but not fatal injury. The assault was committed yesterday afternoon, and the negro was promptly arrested. The mob did its work during the night, and McClenock's body was found dangling from a tree this morning.

FIKE AT MURFREESBORO.

Valuable Property in the Business Section Destroyed.

Murfreesboro, Tenn., Oct. 7.—A fire that will result in a heavy loss is now in progress here at this hour, 2 o'clock. The total loss on buildings, stocks, etc., will probably aggregate \$25,000. The fire broke out in the second story of the building on the north side of the Public Square occupied by Webb & Sparks as a confectionery. The origin of the fire is unknown.

From the point of origin the blaze burned downward and eastward. The building is adjoined by the establishment of Miller & Bell, furniture and undertaker's supplies, two brick buildings being occupied by the firm. Both of these buildings are now on fire in the second story, but the stubborn fight of the fire department is showing effect. The Webb & Sparks building will be entirely consumed with the stock of goods.

AGAINST 'BUCKET-SHOPS.'

National Grain Dealers' Association Adopts Resolutions.

Des Moines, Ia., Oct. 3.—The convention of the National Grain Dealers' Association adjourned to-night, after re-electing its old officers, recommending Memphis, Tenn., as the place for the next convention and adopting resolutions memorializing Congress to extend the interstate commerce law, condemning bucket shops and recommending the reorganization of the Government crop service and its co-operation with the National Hay Dealers' Association.

HOT TEA BISCUIT

Royal Baking Powder

Perfect, Delicious, Appetizing.

MEETING OF THE BOARD.

Deliberations of the Mayor and Aldermen.

Purchase of Additional Property North of the Public School Authorized.

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen met in regular monthly session Thursday night of last week, with all of the members present except Aldermen Nicholson, Craft and Payne.

The matter of building an addition to the public school building or purchasing the Athenaeum property—in order to provide more room for the school children—was brought up and discussed, but was continued until the next meeting without action. However, a resolution was passed, authorizing the purchase of the property north of the public school property from Recorder E. E. Erwin, the corporation to pay \$1,200, in addition to transferring a lot near the colored school, valued at about \$300. The purpose of the Board in buying this property is to give more room for the school grounds, and to open up a street north of the school, leading through from Embargo to Glade, thereby giving a street on each side of the school property.

The Mayor and Recorder were authorized to attend the Mayor's Convention in Nashville on October 9th.

The Fire Committee recommended that the city do not put in a fire alarm system for the present time.

Other business of a routine nature was disposed of, after which the Board adjourned.

YOUNG MAN SUICIDES.

W. M. Robinson, Jr., Found Dead in Bed at Nashville.

Nashville, Oct. 4.—W. M. Robinson, Jr., aged 25 years, son of a well-to-do farmer, residing eight miles from Lewisburg, who has been in Nashville for the past two years as manager of the West Nashville branch of Liggett & Houston, pole dealers, with headquarters at Lewisburg, was found dead of morphine poisoning early yesterday morning in his bed at the Hartford Hotel, near the Terminal Station on Broad street. The suicide has always borne a good reputation, and his death seems shrouded in deep mystery. The only apparent solution is that the suicide is the closing chapter of a spree, though heretofore the deceased had not been addicted to excessive drinking.

The deceased was a member of the Knights of Pythias order, and a Mason. He was employed by his brothers-in-law, Cyrus Houston and Wm. Liggett. Another of the Houston brothers, who married a sister of the deceased, is cashier of the People's Bank at Lewisburg.

The remains were taken to Lewisburg last night by Fred Kercheval, a friend of the deceased.

TENNESSEE FINANCES.

Comptroller King Reports Them in a Good Condition.

Nashville, Tenn., Oct. 3.—State Comptroller King to-day figured out a comparative statement of the receipts of the State Treasury for the first nine months of the year, as compared with the same period last year. The gross receipts for the first nine months of the year amounted to \$2,153,873.65; for the same period of last year, \$2,142,099.01, an increase of \$11,774.64.

Shelby county made the largest payments from County Court Clerks, there being received from that county \$99,682.43. The receipts from the three other large counties were as follows: Davidson, \$63,486.95; Knox, \$33,585.95; Hamilton, \$21,589.43.

There is in the Treasury now a net balance of \$189,905.23, as compared with \$88,695.77 on the same day of last year.

Gov. Jinks of Alabama, is thus far without opposition for the Democratic nomination for Governor next year.

SOCIETY PEOPLE WHO USE PERUNA.



MR. TEFFT. JOHNSON AND MISS ABBE JOHNSON, OF WASHINGTON, D. C.

PERUNA HAS MANY FRIENDS among society people everywhere. They all recommend it as a fine tonic, excellent for coughs, colds and hoarseness to which they are so liable. Late hours, irregular meals, the ceaseless rounds of social duties, the consequent sapping of nervous vitality, make the society man or woman especially liable to affections of catarrhal origin.

Vice President Roxa Tyler, prominently connected in Chicago, and Vice President of the Illinois Woman's Alliance, in a letter written from 910 East 60th street, says: "During the past year I gradually lost flesh and strength until I was unable to perform my work properly. Peruna gave me new life and restored my strength."

George Backus, in "Way Down East" Co., says: "I know of nothing so efficacious in the speedy relief from hoarseness as Peruna. It is invaluable to all persons who use their voice in public work. It almost immediately relieves huskiness and renders the voice strong and natural."

Miss Maude Lillian Berry, one of the leading operasingers of America, writes: "Long ago my nerves were in danger of absolute and hopeless collapse from the strain of hard work, study and excitement. A friend sent me a bottle of Peruna and prevailed upon me to take it. I did, with marvelous results."

A book on catarrhs sent free by The Peruna Medicine Co., Columbus, Ohio.

Mr. Robert B. Mantell, the great romantic actor, says: "Peruna is refreshing to the nerves and brain. It makes me feel like a new man."